visit visas for people from both countries and proposes the addition of new categories of visas such as student, pilgrims and business visa to facilitate easier movement of people across the border. Pakistan has not given its response to this draft visa agreement. Talks on visa matters will continue in the third round of the India-Pakistan Composite Dialogue.

Destruction of Terrorists Training Camps

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SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the terrorist training camps located across the border were destroyed automatically due to the earthquake that had occurred in Jammu and Kashmir region recently;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these camps have been re-established after about three months and have become active again; and

(d) if so, the facts in this regard and whether in this context America has also urged upon Pakistan to check these camps?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (d) Yes. There were about 58 terrorist training camps in operation in Pakistan occupied Kashmir (PoK) and Pakistan before the earthquake of 8 October 2005. Of these, about 29 terrorist training camps located in PoK and North West Frontier Province of Pakistan were damaged or destroyed in the earthquake. Some of the damaged or destroyed camps have been reconstructed and training activities have recommended.

In an interview to Doordarshan prior to his visit to India and Pakistan in March 2006, the President of the United States, *inter-alia*, said that, "on my trip to Pakistan, I will, of course, talk about the terrorist activities, the need to dismantle terrorist training camps, and to protect innocent life". During a Joint Press Conference following talks with President Musharraf on 4 March 2006, President Bush said that "part of my mission today was to determine whether or not the President is as committed as he has been in the past to bringing these terrorists to justice".

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.